

among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also. Paul taught them to Timothy, and Paul says "The things thou, Timothy, has heard of me the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also". So here, as in the case of Abraham, we have a succession going on from generation to generation passing on the message that God has for us.

Now this, I think, these three passages, from the beginning, middle and end of the Bible certainly stress the great importance of education. Education is a complex subject. There are many phases of it which defy us. There are phases of it which are entirely different from which we would expect until we get into it. And the tendency of Christians sometimes is to just throw the whole thing aside and say we go out and we tell people how to get saved through the Lord Jesus Christ, we give them the word of salvation and that is what matters. And personally, I like that attitude 100 times better than the opposite attitude that says evangelism doesn't matter, what matters is as the twig is bent, slow teaching. I say that evangelism, the direct message, the call for commitment to Christ, is by far the most important. But I say it is incomplete without the other. The other has a place, and a very important place, and it has a very vital place if the evangelism is to be continued. Without the evangelism it is of little value. Without the direct call to personal commitment to Christ, education is not the answer to our problems. But attitude, the call to direct commitment as an accessory to, and a vital support to the direct work of bringing the gospel of Christ, education is extremely important.